RESPONSE

U.S. Appln. No. 09/576,957

II. Claims 7-14, drawn to a second method of producing a solid

electrolytic capacitor, classified in Class 427, subclass 80; and

III. Claims 18-19, drawn to a method of coating a masking agent,

classified in class 427, subclass 428.

Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-6) without traverse.

An Office Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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